

FHL's Questions and Goals for Meeting with the City:

FHL's first priority is to establish the western lot as a safe place.

Sight lines:

- From the Police Department's perspective, what sight lines are needed to ensure effective Police surveillance?
- From the City's perspective, can the Public Works Department prevent rapid regrowth of shrubs and weeds to achieve this?
- What role can FHL play? Can we hire contractors to work on the lot to remove stumps or work the soil? Can we organize volunteers or students to do this work? What can we accomplish in the next month? Do we need City Council approval to do any/all of this?

Lighting:

- From the Police Department's perspective, would lighting along the existing trail or new proposed trails help ensure effective Police surveillance?
- From the City's perspective, can the Public Works Department install lighting?
- What role can FHL play? Can we put down sawdust on new proposed trail locations for a StoryWalk? Do we need City Council approval to do this?

Encourage appropriate use:

- From the Police Department's perspective, what additional changes to the lot would help move out inappropriate activity?
- From the City's perspective, can the Public Works Department install dog poop bag receptacles; additional heavy duty trash cans; picnic tables or benches along main trail? Can the City add more mowing areas to their rotation to keep select areas more inviting and visible? Can the City remove trash regularly if we add new cans?
- What role can FHL play? What can we accomplish in the next month? Over the next year? Can we install a post to place a new free library at the western edge of the lot? Do we need City Council approval to do any/all of this?

Our goals:

- Clarify what the best case scenario is for the Police
- Clarify what the City will commit to doing
- Clarify what FHL can do with and without council permission
- Offer support, potential funds and coordination to achieve our objectives